

KITCHIN THREATENS EIGHT-HOUR MEASURE

Says House Will Act if Senate Withholds Preventive Legislation.

The impending strike of the railroad employees occupied practically all the time of the Senate yesterday.

Majority Leader Kitchen, of the House, and Representative Adamson, of the Interstate and Foreign Commerce Committee, served notice on the Senate just before adjournment that unless the body placed legislation for preventing the threatened strike on the statute books within forty-eight hours, the Democrats would immediately pass a compulsory eight-hour law with time and a half for overtime.

Senator Lee, of Maryland, introduced a resolution, which was referred to the Commerce Committee, asking the brotherhoods to postpone the calling of the strike until September 11 in order to give Congress time to pass legislation for preventing the walkout.

Senator Simmons declared that the existing differences should be submitted to arbitration by an impartial body, and favored a drastic law designed to place in the hands of the court, the power to prevent organizations or groups of men from intimidating or harassing those who take the place of the employees who drop work.

Senator Hardwick, of Georgia, advocated empowering the Interstate Commerce Commission to fix wages and hours of labor, and adjust disputes of railroad employees. Senator Borah opposed this plan on the ground that it would throw the railroad employees into politics. Senator Jones, of Washington, urged the appointment of Interstate Commerce Commissioners for life terms to remove them from political influence.

When the Commerce Committee met yesterday Senator Robinson and Senator Cummins were factors in a heated wrangle. Senator Cummins made the motion to hold the public hearing, beginning today, and Senator Robinson opposed this on the ground that it would unnecessarily retard the progress of legislation. The committee sustained Senator Cummins, declaring themselves without sufficient information to intelligently frame the President's legislative program.

VALUABLE PLUNDER STOLEN DURING DAY

Thieves yesterday got away with some valuable plunder.

Milton Hoffenmaier, thirty-third and K streets northwest, reported to the police that some one had entered his place and carried off a gold cigarette case, set with diamonds, worth \$175.

One hundred dollars reward is offered for the arrest and conviction of the thief who carried off a new Kelly-Springfield automobile tire from the garage of William S. Newell, 3306 Sixteenth street northwest, Tuesday night.

Albion S. Seale, 521 Ninth street northwest, told the police of the First precinct yesterday that eight pairs of shoes, worth \$15, had been stolen.

Some one around Garfield Hospital disappeared with a lady's gold wrist watch, owned by Miss Mary P. Burroughs, a nurse.

Political Notes

Indianapolis, Ind., Aug. 30.—Charles W. Fairbanks is about to learn of the action of the Republican National convention, at Chicago, in nominating him for the office of Vice President of the United States.

The official notification ceremonies will be held tomorrow afternoon on the lawn of the Fairbanks residence. That the meeting will be the occasion for a rousing Republican campaign rally, is indicated by the arrival of a large number of prominent party leaders in the city today.

In addition to the members of the official notification committee those in attendance will include many well-known Republicans from all sections of Indiana and from other States as well.

York, Pa., Aug. 30.—In the opening address of his campaign tour Allen I. Benson, Socialist candidate for President, last night rapped the policies of the Republican and Democratic Presidential candidates. More than 1,000 persons assembled in the high school auditorium to hear him speak.

"Both Mr. Wilson's platform and his speeches show you that he has absolutely nothing to offer you," the speaker said. "He boasts that we exported last year almost \$600,000,000 worth of foodstuffs. So long as human beings are driven almost to desperation to get food in the United States, how can any administration that tries to serve the people boast of how much food has been sent out of the country?"

"If Mr. Hughes sees the same crisis as I see, how dare he go about the country pricking Mr. Wilson about little things, when there are so many serious things that should engage his attention?"

New York, Aug. 30.—Plans for two great Democratic rallies which will be held in this city on the eve of the election, were announced today at National Democratic headquarters.

One will be held at Madison Square Garden on November 2, and the other at the Brooklyn Academy of Music on November 4.

Among the speakers will be Judge Samuel Seabury, Democratic candidate for governor of New York; Senator Ollie James, of Kentucky, and Martin H. Glynn, of Albany.

An effort has been made to have President Wilson speak in this State, but Chairman Vance McCormick said today that nothing definite had been arranged.

New York, Aug. 30.—Important campaign plans were discussed today at a conference between National Republican Chairman William R. Wilcox and the advisory committee of the campaign committee.

Afterwards Mr. Wilcox gave a luncheon to the guests, including Gov. R. Livingston Beckman, of Rhode Island; Charles G. Dawes, of Chicago; Raymond Robbins, of Illinois; Victor Roosevelt, of Nebraska; John W. Wamaker, of Philadelphia; Frank H. Hitchcock, of Ohio; Eberhart, of Minnesota; Former Secretary of Agriculture James Wilson; A. H. Martin, of Virginia; F. W. Eastbrook, of Nashville, N. H.; Everett Colby, Herbert Parsons and George W. Perkins.

Senator Boise Penrose, of Pennsylvania, has compiled data for use in the campaign on the subject of extravagance. According to Senator Penrose, more than \$1,000,000,000 has been appropriated by the government during the past year.

POST TO BE OWNED BY McLEAN ESTATE

Court Order Authorizes Purchase of Stock.

The McLean estate will become sole owners of the Washington Post Company, with the exception of ten outstanding shares, by the order signed by Justice Siddons, of the District Supreme Court, yesterday.

The court authorized the American Security and Trust Company, executors of the estate, to dispose of \$500,000 worth of United States bonds or other securities belonging to the estate, to raise capital for the purchase of 320 shares of stock in the publishing company belonging to John F. Wilkins.

Counsel for Edward B. McLean, sole heir to the McLean estate, made no objection to the granting of the requests of the executor.

Frank J. Hogan, attorney for the trust company, explained to the court that it was necessary to hold a large amount of cash to the credit of the estate. He said that already a total of \$51,000 in claims had been presented. Of this amount \$20,000 was for physicians' services incident to the last illness of the elder McLean.

Former Senator Bailey and George P. Hoover represented young McLean. Mr. Hogan appeared for the trust company, assisted by J. J. Darlington.

ROUMANIA ASKS U. S. TO SERVE HER AT VIENNA

American Ambassador Penfield, in Vienna yesterday reported to the State Department that he had been formally requested by Roumania to take over Roumanian diplomatic affairs in Vienna and act as an intermediary in diplomatic relations between those two governments.

Ambassador Penfield asked for instructions as to what he shall do.

WESTERN ROADS READY FOR START OF STRIKE

(By the International News Service.) Chicago, Aug. 30.—Western and mid-Western roads, practically all of which enter Chicago, began active preparations today for a general strike.

Passengers contemplating long journeys were warned that if they could not reach their destinations before Saturday night they might be subjected "to perplexing delays."

A. T. DICE ILL FROM WORRY.

President of Philadelphia and Reading Railroad, Ill. at his home in Atlantic City as the result of worry over the impending trainmen's strike and overwork at the conference in Washington.

The physicians declare Mr. Dice's condition is not serious, significance is attached to a statement from his office here this afternoon that "big men don't give up easily."

WILL CLOSE FLOUR MILLS.

Railroad Strike Will Force Shutting Down of All in Minneapolis.

Minneapolis, Minn., Aug. 30.—Every flour mill in Minneapolis will be closed thirty minutes after the order for a nationwide railroad strike becomes effective, according to an announcement today by the Washburn-Crosby Company.

All the mills in the city are filled to capacity, with no available storage space, and no way in which to move the output, says the statement.

BAND CONCERT PROGRAM.

By the Marine Band, at Dupont Circle, this evening at 7:30 o'clock. Walter E. Smith, second leader.

March—"Hail to the President".....Wright

Overture—"Poet and Peasant".....Suppe

Petite Suite—"Three dances from 'Henry the Eighth'".....Strauss

(a) "Entr'acte," "Idle Hour".....Kretschmer

(b) "Morocco," "The Bugle Call Rag" Blake

Meditation—"The Last Hope".....Gottschalk

Waltz—"A la vien-Aien-Aien".....Schubert

Selection—"The Heart of Paddy Whack".....Lacy

March—"America, Plant".....Lacy

"The Star Spangled Banner"

FAIL IN ATTEMPT TO POSTPONE STRIKE DATE

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brotherhood leaders to postpone the date set for the strike one week.

President Wilson took under consideration the advisability of making a public appeal to the union employees throughout the country to disregard the strike order for thirty days, if the leaders remained obstinate.

Representative Taggart, of Kansas, introduced a bill in the House providing that in case any railroad fails to carry freight and passengers to the reasonable satisfaction of the public, the Attorney General shall bring proceedings to place the road in the hands of a receiver. In appointing such receiver the court will be asked to appoint the president or some other officer of the road in case he is willing to serve. The bill provides that the road shall then be operated on an eight-hour basis, the pay for eight hours to be the same as it is now for a full day.

W. G. Lee, chairman of the trainmen's brotherhood, issued this statement:

Strike Inevitable.

"No power under heaven short of a satisfactory settlement with the executive can prevent the men from striking on Labor Day."

A. B. Garretson, chairman of the conductors' brotherhood, said:

"You can say emphatically that the question of a postponement of the strike is not even under consideration."

The three bills upon which hearings will be held today are in substance as follows:

1. An amendment to the Interstate Commerce act making eight hours a legal day's work on the railroads engaged in interstate commerce. This tentative measure provides for a wage commission of three members, two of whom shall be recommended respectively by the railroad and the brotherhood, which shall observe and report on the administrative and financial effects. It also authorizes the Interstate Commerce Commission to increase freight rates.

2. A provision to make strikes and lock-outs illegal until after an investigation by a special commission and to increase the effectiveness of arbitration.

3. Giving the President authority to operate railroads as a military necessity and for the transportation of mail, and to impress men into the service for this purpose.

Strike Talk at Capitol.

The air was full of strike talk at Capitol Hill throughout the day. Senator Cummins started an acrimonious discussion at the meeting of the Interstate Commerce Committee. Later he carried five times to the floor of the Senate. He said the President and his advisers in their search for legislation were steering between "Scylla and Charybdis."

"It will be interesting to see how far we can steal away from one without encountering the perils of the other," he said.

The resolution introduced by Senator Lee by which the brotherhood leaders are urged to postpone for one week the date set for the strike, follows:

"In order to afford sufficient time for the intelligent consideration of the legislation in the President's message to Congress of August 29, the Senate of the United States hereby requests the representatives of the railroad employees who have fixed upon September 4 for the commencement of the general strike to postpone the date for the beginning of such strike for one week."

Action Expected Today.

The resolution was referred to the Interstate Commerce Committee, and is expected to be reported favorably today.

Discussing the meeting of the Interstate Commerce Committee Chairman Naundorff said:

"We expect the greater part of the morning considering whether or not we should have hearings. Although legislation to be effective must be enacted promptly, it was believed best that the side of the pending controversy should be heard briefly."

"The brotherhood, the railroad officials, and representatives of the shippers will be given three hours each. With these views before us I think we can formulate such legislation as will be satisfactory."

"The attitude of every member of the committee, regardless of politics, is to consider this matter seriously and earnestly with a view to doing what is best for the entire country."

"I believe we can legislate by Saturday night in time to prevent this strike. We must do so, or the strike order must be postponed."

Chiefs Expect Strike.

The railway executives expect a strike. They said today their greatest problem would be to keep their lines open so they can handle what is absolutely necessary.

The greatest effort in the history of railroading, it was said, is being made to avoid congestion of freight when the railroads become short-handed by refusing now to accept freight which they may not be able to handle after 7 a. m. next Monday.

The roads are passing on to connecting lines as rapidly as possible all freight on their lines so they may free themselves of responsibility for what is on their rails.

Each railroad individually is making preparations for guarding its property. If there should be disorders interfering with the transportation of mails, or obstructing interstate commerce, the Federal government will be asked to furnish protection. This was done by President Cleveland when interference with the mails was feared.

The railroads, it was said, will arm their employees engaged in the operation of trains, and will also have armed guards along their right of way and on their shop and yard properties.

PERSHING SEES CAMPS.

Makes Six-Day Inspection Trip in Mexico.

Headquarters of the American Punitive Expedition in Mexico, Aug. 28 (by wireless via Columbus, N. M., Aug. 30).—Gen. John J. Pershing and his staff of inspection returned to headquarters late today after six days spent in reviewing the expeditionary troops in all camps to the south of here.

The American commander announced that within three days he plans to start on an inspection trip to the camps to the north, going as far as Columbus.

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Thin Line of Veterans Marches at Kansas City.

(By the International News Service.) Kansas City, Mo., Aug. 30.—Fifteen thousand blue-clad veterans of the sixties marched here today in the annual parade at the fiftieth encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic.

Promptly at 10 o'clock eighteen bands and five drum corps simultaneously broke into a monster symphony of "The Star Spangled Banner" and as the first strains of the anthem reverberated through the streets, the long thin line of grizzled veterans swung into step.

Every year witnesses a thinner line, and this was said to be the smallest number of marchers in fifty years of encampments. There was no lessening of the enthusiasm, however. With heads erect and backs stiffened, the nation's heroes swung through the principal streets of the city with a zest that belied their years.

Grand Marshal Gen. Cudde Lechtman headed the parade.

Tonight the annual campfire will be held, and tomorrow the first business session will be held. Friday comes the close of the reunion, with the election of officers.

KILLS MAN ON WIFE'S CHARGES OF INSULT

Resenting an alleged insult offered his wife, Harry Dougherty, 36 years old, an employee of the Washington Navy Yard, knocked down Richard Mills, 52 years old, yesterday noon at Mills' home, 1311 Fifth street southeast, striking the man a heavy blow on the jaw, causing his death almost instantly.

The ambulance of the Casualty Hospital, Dr. H. H. Warner, in charge, started for the hospital with the unconscious man. Dr. Warner pronounced him dead when he reached the institution. After striking Mills, Dougherty remained at the scene until the ambulance came.

CARRANZA SEIZES ALL MEXICAN CHURCH LAND

(By the International News Service.) Mexico City, Aug. 30.—A decree was made public today by First Chief Venustiano Carranza nationalizing the property of the Roman Catholic Church in Mexico.

Gen. Carranza stated that in taking this step, he was reviving a decree promulgated in 1859. Hereafter all church property will be owned by the government, but the churches and other religious institutions will be nominally controlled by the clergy.

POLICE WILL REISSUE PERMIT TO SOCIALISTS

Following the conviction of Julian Pierce, Socialist orator, in Police Court yesterday, it was announced by the police department that the permit for the Socialist party to hold street meetings would be reissued immediately.

Pierce was found guilty of speaking on the street without a permit at his headquarters yesterday. He is now out on \$5,000 collateral and has been given ten days to prepare and file a bill of exceptions, which will carry the case to the Court of Appeals. He was not given a fine, sentence being withheld.

B. & O. RECRUITING MEN.

St. Louis, Aug. 30.—A. J. Michaels, superintendent of the Baltimore and Ohio free labor bureau, announced today that he had recruited since last Thursday 129 train crews of four men each—engineer, fireman, conductor and brakeman—to be put to work in case of a railroad strike.

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17 NEW MEMBERS JOIN "NAVAL DREAMS CAME TRUE," SAYS DANIELS

Eighteen Applications Considered by Membership Committee.

Replies to Charge by Showing Fulfillment of Visions.

(By the International News Service.) Rockland, Me., Aug. 30.—Secretary of the Navy Josephus Daniels said he pleaded guilty to being a dreamer, in his speech here tonight, but pointed out that many of his dreams had come true.

"Some days ago," he said, "a veteran Republican member of the House, who suddenly became a naval expert and critic the day after his party went out of power, paid me the high compliment of stating that as a dreamer about naval affairs I might give points to Alascher in the 'Arabian Nights.'"

"I plead guilty to having been a dreamer about the navy. Soon after entering upon the duties of Secretary, I had several well-defined dreams."

"These dreams were of a navy with a full enlistment," of legislation that would provide enough officers to man all the ships, of "making the navy more truly American in spirit," of a greatly increased number of fighting ships, of "the most efficiently directed navy in the world," and of enlisting the inventive, engineering and scientific genius of America to solve naval problems," said the Secretary.

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